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TOWN OFFICERS

TIMOTHY B. SOUTHARD,	Representative
JONAS MINOT,	Moderator
ARTHUR E. BAILEY,	Town Clerk
JOHN B. HIBBARD, FRED P. WELLS, DAVID S. REED,	Selectmen
NAPOLEON B. FOSTER,	Treasurer
HARRY D. WHITCOMB,	Tax Collector
HENRY S. LANG,	Auditor
JAMES H. NUTTER, WAYNE W. PRESBY, FRANK V. CHASE,	Highway Agents
RAYMOND M. LANG, PHINEAS J. POOR, ADDISON B. WOOD,	Supervisors of the Check List
EDWARD C. POOR, ADDISON B. WOOD, HARRY WHITCOMB,	Trustees of the Trust Funds
MYRTLE P. CONANT, RALZA E. ANDREW, (Resigned) ALFRED E. HOUSTON,	Library Trustees
WALTER H. CHASE,	Health Officer

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Bath qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said town on the second Tuesday of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1. To choose a town clerk, one selectman for three years, one trustee of the trust funds for three years, one library trustee for three years and one for one year, a town treasurer, auditor, one or more highway agents, and all other necessary officers and agents for the ensuing year.

Article 2. To hear the report of officers and agents heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

Article 3. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for town officers' salaries and expenses for the ensuing year.

Article 4. To see how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the repair and maintenance of highways and bridges.

Article 5. To see what action the town will take in regard to securing state aid for highways, and to raise and appropriate money therefor.

Article 6. To see how much money the town will vote to raise for the support of the town library.

Article 7. To see how much money the town will vote to raise for the support of the poor.

Article 8. To see what sums of money the town will vote to raise for the observance of Memorial Day and Old Home Day.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars for the control of White Pine Blister Rust.

Article 10. To see what action the town will take in regard to real estate bid off for taxes.

Article 11. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the road leading from a point in front of the dwelling house of W. H. Greenwood, thence over Schoolhouse Hill, so called, to a point near the old cemetery where said road joins the road laid out in October, 1923.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to accept the sum of One Hundred Dollars in trust, to be known as the Sarah Cooley Thayer Trust Fund, the income thereof to be used for the care and maintenance of the family lot in Swiftwater Cemetery.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to accept the sum of Three Hundred and Thirty-five Dollars in trust, to be known as the Pettyboro Cemetery Fund; the income only from said fund to be used for the care of Pettyboro Cemetery.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to accept from Mrs. Sarah A. Simmonds the sum of One Hundred Dollars in trust, to be known as the Joseph Snow Trust Fund, the income therefrom to be used to care for the Snow lot in Bath Village Cemetery.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to dispense with delivering the inventory blanks until April 1st.

Article 16. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 18th day of February, A. D. 1924.

JOHN B. HIBBARD,
FRED P. WELLS,
DAVID S. REED,

Selectmen of Bath.

BUDGET

Estimates of Revenue for the ensuing year, Feb. 1, 1924, to Jan. 31, 1925, compared with actual revenue of the previous year, Feb. 1, 1923, to Jan. 31, 1924.

Sources of Revenue.	Actual Revenue 1923	Estimated Revenue 1924
From State:		
Insurance tax	$ 2 06	$ 2 06
Railroad tax	405 07	400 00
Savings bank tax	748 34	750 00
For fighting forest fires	28 45	25 00
For Highways:		
(a) State Aid maintenance	453 55	350 00
(b) Trunk Line maintenance	6,646 26	4,000 00
From local sources except taxes:		
All licenses and permits except dog licenses	1,189 61	1,200 00
Rent of town building,	247 80	250 00
Income from trust funds	64 38	100 00
From poll taxes	2,147 00	2,100 00
From National Bank Stock taxes	37 17	37 00
Revenue applicable only to new construction:		
From State, for State Aid highway construction	1,577 88	520 80
Amount raised by issue of notes for Soldiers' Memorial	1,500 00	
Total revenues except property taxes	$15,047 57	$9,734 86
Amount raised by property taxes	23,641 53	19,779 00
Total revenues	$38,689 10	$29,513 86

Estimates of Expenditures for the ensuing year, Feb. 1, 1924, to Jan. 31, 1925, compared with actual expenditures of the previous year, Feb. 1, 1923 to Jan. 31, 1924.

Purposes of Expenditures.	Actual Expenditures 1923	Estimated Expenditures 1924
General Government:		
Town officers' salaries	498 75	$ 650 00
Town officers' expenses	234 50	250 00
Election and registration expenses	28 70	100 00
Expenses of town building	270 65	275 00
Protection of Persons and Property:		
Forest fires	56 45	
Health:		
Health department	15 04	15 00
Vital statistics	8 85	8 00
Highways and Bridges:		
State Aid maintenance:		
State's contribution	453 55	350 00
Town's contribution	453 55	350 00
Trunk Line maintenance:		
State's contribution	6,646 26	4,000 00
Town's contribution	3,323 13	2,000 00
Town maintenance	3,879 09	4,000 00
Street lighting	54 60	50 00
General expenses of highway department	814 73	300 00
Libraries	200 00	200 00
Charities:		
Town poor	330 81	150 00
Patriotic Purposes:		
Memorial Day expenses	$ 5 17	$ 15 00
For Soldier's Memorial	1,759 59	240 41

Public Service Enterprises:		
Cemeteries	63 13	100 00
Interest:		
On temporary loans	300 68	300 00
On long term notes		75 00
Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements:		
Highways and Bridges:		
State Aid Construction:		
State's contribution	1,577 88	520 80
Town's contribution	2,478 42	1,302 00
Indebtedness:		
Payment on long term notes		500 00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:		
State taxes	2,562 00	2,500 00
County taxes	1,833 45	1,833 45
Town school district	4,586 77	4,574 89
Union school district	5,460 00	4,854 31
Total expenditures	$37,895 75	$29,513 86

INVENTORY OF THE TOWN, APRIL 1, 1923

Land and buildings	$667,575 00
310 horses	33,520 00
3 oxen	205 00
1345 cows	76,880 00
260 other neat stock	9,120 00
114 sheep	745 00
5 hogs	44 00
526 fowls	526 00
Wood, lumber, etc., not stock in trade	9,080 00
Money on hand, at interest, or in deposit	3,500 00
Stock in trade	26,335 00
Aqueducts	600 00
Mills and machinery	40,600 00
14 polls at $3.00	
421 polls at $5.00	
Total valuation	$868,730 00

Valuation of the several school districts:

Town district	$454,925 00	
Union district	322,700 00	
Woodsville district	86,105 00	
Landaff district	5,000 00	
		$868,730 00

Tax rates per $100.00 of valuation:

	Town rate	School rate	Total
Town school district	$1 57	$1 01	$2 58
Union school district	1 57	1 71	3 28
Woodsville district	1 57		1 57
Landaff district	1 57		1 57

LIST OF APPROPRIATIONS, 1923

By Town for:

Town officers' salaries	$ 900 00	
Highways and bridges	4,000 00	
Trunk line maintenance	3,000 00	
State aid maintenance	275 00	
State aid construction	1,309 50	
Library	200 00	
Support of town poor	150 00	
Memorial Day	15 00	
Soldiers' memorial	500 00	
State tax	1,702 00	
State tax of $2.00 on polls	842 00	
County tax	1,833 45	
Overlay	1,051 88	
		$15,778 83

By Town School District for:

Tuition for high schools	$1,000 00	
Salaries of district officers	100 00	
Superintendent's excess salary	125 00	
Repairs and equipment	400 00	
State $2.00 per capita tax	230 00	
$5.00 tax on each $1,000 of the equalized valuation	2,631 87	$ 4,586 87

By Union School District for:

Support of high school	$2,875 19	
$5.00 tax on each $1,000 of the equalized valuation	1,884 81	
State $2.00 per capita tax	130 00	
Repairs and equipment	200 00	
Salaries of district officers	35 00	
Debt and interest	235 00	
Superintendent's excess salary	100 00	
		$5,460 00
Total appropriations		$25,825 70

TAXES COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR

Property Taxes:		
Resident list,	$19,859 62	
Non-resident list,	3,781 91	
		$23,641 53
National Bank Stock taxes,		37 17
Poll Taxes:		
14 @ $3.00	$ 42 00	
421 @ $5.00	2,105 00	
		$ 2,147 00
Total,		$25,825 70

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall:	
Land and buildings,	$ 8,250 00
Furniture and equipment,	500 00
Library:	
Books and furniture,	1,500 00
Fire Department:	
Equipment,	250 00
Highway Department:	
Gravel bank,	150 00
Road machines, scrapers, drags, gasoline engine, small tools, etc.,	450 00
Posts,	16 00
Total,	$11,116 00

ASSETS

Cash in hands of treasurer,		$ 171 28
Accounts Due to the Town:		
Due from State:		
Unexpended balance of joint state aid construction account in state treasury,		71 76
For fighting forest fires,		1 33
Taxes not collected:		
Levy of 1918,	$ 219 40	
Levy of 1921,	525 12	
Levy of 1922,	679 20	
Levy of 1923,	5,192 03	
		$ 6,615 75
Due from taxes bought by town, including interest to date at 6 per cent,		2,639 96
Total assets,		$ 9,500 08

Surplus January 31, 1923,	$ 1,749 42
Surplus January 31, 1924,	767 73
Decrease of surplus,	$ 981 69

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town:	
Salary of Collector for 1918,	$ 100 00
Salary of Collector for 1921,	125 00
Salary of Collector for 1922,	125 00
W. H. Greenwood, land damage,	160 00
E. J. Ross, lumber, etc.,	89 19
Due to School Districts:	
(a) Dog licenses,	141 60
(b) Town district, bal. of 1923 approp	1,000 00
(c) Union district, bal. of 1923 approp.	1,500 00
State and Town Joint Highway Accounts:	
Unexpended balance in state treasury,	71 76
Unexpended balance in town treasury,	179 39
Unexpended bal. approp. Soldiers' Memorial,	240 41
Outstanding Temporary Loans in Anticipation of Taxes:	
Lisbon Savings Bank & Trust Co.,	3,500 00
Long Term Notes Outstanding:	
Lisbon Savings Bank & Trust Co.:	
Note due Dec. 31, 1924,	500 00
Note due Dec. 31, 1925,	500 00
Note due Dec. 31, 1926,	500 00
Total liabilities,	$ 8,732 35
Excess of assets over liabilities (surplus)	767 73
	$ 9,500 08

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

Year Ending January 31, 1924

RECEIPTS

Received for 155 permits for the registration of motor vehicles issued from Feb. 1, 1923 to Jan. 31, 1924,		$ 1,188 61
Received for 77 dog licenses, (76 male and 1 female),	$ 157 00	
Less fees, (77 licenses @ 20c.),	15 40	
		141 60
Total,		$ 1,330 21

PAYMENTS

Paid N. B. Foster, Treasurer,	$ 1,330 61

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR E. BAILEY, Town Clerk

I have examined the accounts of the Town Clerk and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

HENRY S. LANG, Auditor.

Bath, N. H., Feb. 10, 1924.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Year Ending January 31, 1924

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand February 1, 1923,	$ 3,031 24
From local taxes:	
M. A. Weeks, Collector, 1921	103 50
M. A. Weeks, Collector, 1922,	5,164 71
H. D. Whitcomb, Collector, 1923,	20,633 67
Tax sales redeemed,	289 17
From State,	9,906 41
From County,	325 67
From local sources except taxes,	1,643 39
Loans from Lisbon Bank,	8,500 00
Total,	$49,597 76

PAYMENTS

205 Orders of Selectmen (paid)	$49,426 48
Cash on hand,	171 28
Total,	$49,597 76

NAPOLEON B. FOSTER,

Town Treasurer.

I have examined the above account, and find it correctly cast and properly vouched, with a balance in the Bank of $171.28.

HENRY S. LANG, Auditor.

Bath, N. H., Feb. 11, 1924.

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

Taxes com. to Col., 1923	$25,825 70	
Less uncollected, 1923	5,192 03	
Taxes of 1923 collected,		$20,633 67
Taxes of 1922 collected,		5,164 71
Taxes of 1921 collected,		103 50
Total of above collections,		$25,901 88
Tax sales redeemed,	$ 265 30	
Interest on tax sales redeemed	23 87	
		$ 289 17

From State:

For highways:

(a) State Aid maintenance,	$ 453 55	
(b) Trunk Line maintenance,	6,646 26	
(c) State Aid construction	600 02	
(d) Pettyboro bridge,	977 86	
Insurance tax,	2 06	
Railroad tax,	405 07	
Savings bank tax,	749 34	
Fighting forest fires,	28 45	
Bounties,	44 80	
		$ 9.906 41

From County:

For support of poor,	$ 325 67

From Local Sources Except Taxes:

Dog licenses,	$ 141 60	
Permit to remove gasoline tank,	1 00	
Rent of town building:		
(a) Rent of hall,	47 80	
(b) Rent of store,	200 00	
Income from trust funds,	64 38	
Permits for the registration of motor vehicles,	1,188 61	
		$ 1,643 39

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

1	Town officers' salaries,	$ 498 75	
2	Town officers' expenses,	234 50	
3	Election and registration expenses,	28 70	
4	Expenses of town building	270 65	
			$ 1,032 60

Protection of Persons and Property:

5	Forest fire department	$ 56 45	
6	Bounties,	14 80	
			$ 71 25

Health:

7	Health department,	$ 15 04	
8	Vital statistics,	8 85	
			$ 23 89

Highways and Bridges:

9	State Aid maintenance	$ 907 10	
10	Trunk Line maintenance,	9,969 39	
11	Town maintenance,	3,879 09	
12	Street lighting,	54 60	
13	General expenses of highway department,	814 73	
			$15,624 91

Libraries:

14	Bath Free Public Library	$ 200 00

Charities:

15	Town poor,	$ 330 81	
16	County poor,	325 67	
			$ 656 48

Patriotic Purposes:

17	Memorial Day expenses,	$ 5 17	
18	Soldiers' Memorial,	1,759 59	
			$ 1,764 76

RECEIPTS—Continued

Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:		
Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes,	$ 7,000 00	
Long term notes (Soldiers' Memorial),	1,500 00	
		$ 8,500 00
Total receipts from all sources,		$46,566 52
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1923,		3,031 24
Grand total,		$49,597 76

PAYMENTS—Continued.

Public Service Enterprises:			
19	Care of cemeteries		$ 63 13
Unclassified:			
20	Taxes bought by town	$ 1,484 16	
21	Tax abatements,	35 64	
			$ 1,519 80
	Total current maintenance expenses,		$20,956 82
Interest:			
22	Interest on temporary loans,		$ 300 68
Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements:			
23	State Aid highway,	$ 2,100 57	
24	State Aid bridge,	1,955 73	
			$ 4,056 30
Indebtedness:			
25	Payments on temp. loans		$ 7,500 00
26	Outstand. orders paid during year		$ 2,016 56
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:			
27	Taxes paid to State		$ 2,562 00
28	Taxes paid to County,		$ 1,833 45
29	Payments to School Districts,		$10,200 67
	Total payments for all purposes,		$49,426 48
	Cash on hand January 31, 1924		171 28
	Grand total,		$49,597 76

DETAIL STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Detail 1. Town Officers' Salaries:

Arthur E. Bailey, town clerk,	$	50 00
John B. Hibbard, selectmen,		152 00
Fred P. Wells, selectman,		122 00
David S. Reed, selectman,		62 00
Napoleon B. Foster, treasurer,		50 00
Henry S. Lang, auditor, 1922-23,		22 00
Arthur E. Bailey, fees for issuing permits for the registration of motor vehicles,		38 75
Walter H. Chase, dog officer,		2 00
	$	498 75

Detail 2. Town Officers' Expenses:

Grafton County Pub. Co., 350 town reports	$	117 50
W. J. Randolph, real estate transfers		2 06
E. B. Mann & Co., office supplies,		80
Edson C. Eastman Co., office supplies,		38 44
E. J. Blair, 1 cord of wood,		12 00
J. L. Daniels, 1-2 cord of wood,		6 00
H. W. Nelson, office supplies,		1 80
Selectmen, postage and telephone,		5 75
A. E. Bailey, postage and stationery,		1 50
N. B. Foster, postage,		2 00
Selectmen, auto hire,		12 27
N. H. Tax Assessors Association, yearly dues,		2 00
John B. Hibbard, expenses attending tax assessors' meeting at Manchester,		15 06
Fred P. Wells, expenses attending tax assessors' meeting at Manchester,		16 14
John B. Hibbard, incidental expenses,		1 18
	$	234 50

Detail 3. Election and Registration Expenses:

The Lisbon Job Printery, printing checklists	$	21 20
Henry S. Lang, ballot clerk, 1922,		2 50
C. B. Foster, ballot clerk, 1922-23,		5 00
	$	28 70

Detail 4. Expenses of Town Building:

J. L. Daniels, 2 cords of wood,	$	20 00
E. Carleton, 1 cord of wood,		10 00
W. H. Chase, 2 tables,		5 00
R. T. Bartlett, insurance,		83 25
Merrill's Insurance Agency, insurance,		61 88
H. W. Nelson:		
Services as janitor one year to Jan. 1, 1924		50 00
Heating library one year to Feb. 1, 1924,		30 00
Furnace repairs,		3 87
Repairing broken windows,		3 05
Wiring and other repairs,		3 60
	$	270 65

Detail 5. Forest Fire Department:

E. I. Oakes, fire warden:		
Expense of fire April 20th,	$	23 28
Expense of fire May 12th,		6 50
Expense of fire June 2nd,		3 58
Investigating fires, posting bills, etc.,		15 23
Expense of fire July 13th,		2 66
W. H. Greenwood, deputy warden, fire May 12th,		5 20
	$	56 45

Detail 6. Bounties:

C. R. Douglass, bounty on one bear,	$	5 00
Bounty paid on 49 hedgehogs,		9 80
	$	14 80

Detail 7. Health Department:

W. H. Chase, services as health officer,	$	10 00
W. H. Chase, express on water samples,		5 04
	$	15 04

Detail 8. Vital Statistics:

E. M. Miller, M. D., reporting death,	$	25
Rev. Guy Roberts, returning marriage,		25

Arthur E. Bailey, recording 7 marriages, 14 births and 23 deaths,		6 60
Arthur E. Bailey, completing 7 records,		1 75
	$	8 85

Detail 9. State Aid Maintenance:

Swiftwater Road:

Cost of removing slide in 1922, not included in last year's account,	$25 69	
A. Estes, patrol team, 19 2-9 d,	100 93	
W. E. Carr, 42 loads of gravel,	4 20	
		$ 130 82

Gilman Hill:

W. W. Presby, team 3 days,	$ .19 50	
D. H. Johnson, team 3 days,	19 50	
A. Knighton, 3 days,	9 00	
E. Clough, 2 days,	6 00	
		$ 54 00

Brick Yard and West Bath Roads:

A. Estes, patrol, 4 hrs,	$ 2 67	
W. W. Presby, 5 1-9 d,	30 66	
W. W. Presby, auto 6 days,	6 00	
D. H. Johnson, team 9 days	63 00	
E. J. Ross, team 9 days	63 00	
Jonas Minot, team 9 days,	63 00	
L. Oakes, team 7 7-9 days,	54 44	
R. Batchelder, team 7 days,	49 00	
G. Mitton, team 6 days,	42 00	
I. F. Wheeler, team 5 1-2 days,	38 50	
W. W. Presby, team 3 days,	21 00	
S. C. Stimson, team 3 days,	21 00	
Ollie Knighton, 9 7-9 days,	34 22	
Carleton Corey, 9 days,	31 50	
Tracy Sawyer, 9 days,	31 50	
Penn Jerden, 4 1-3 days,	15 17	
L. Enderson, 8 days,	28 00	
Geo. Deatte, 1 7-9 days,	6 22	
J. Minot, 214 loads gravel,	21 40	
		$ 622 28

Chamberlin Hill:

F. V. Chase, foreman, 3 5-9 d, $	14 22	
C. Church, team 1 day,	7 00	
A. E. Flanders, team 3 5-9 days,	24 89	
C. M. Chase, team 3 5-9 days,	24 89	
C. M. Chase, 1 horse 2 days,	3 50	
W. Spreadby, 3 5-9 days,	12 45	
C. Church, 67 loads of gravel,	6 70	
		$ 93 65
State Highway Dept., engineering,		$ 6 35
Total,		$ 907 10

Statement of State Aid Maintenance Account:

Balance from 1922,		$ 151 01
State appropriation, 1923, $	275 00	
Extra, to cover state's proportion of overdraft,	103 05	
		$ 378 05
Town appropriation 1923, $	275 00	
Extra, to cover town's proportion of overdarft,	103 04	
		$ 378 04
Total joint fund,		$ 907 10

Detail 10. Trunk Line Maintenance:

A. Estes, patrol team 53 2-3 days,	$ 280 27
W. W. Presby, foreman, 83 1-6 days,	499 01
W. W. Presby, automobile 81 2-3 days,	81 66
W. W. Presby, moving sweeper from Orford,	5 00
W. W. Presby, team 73 2-3 days,	506 65
D. H. Johnson, team 80 2-9 days	545 66
E. J. Ross, team 69 5-9 days,	476 28
Leslie Oakes, team 68 1-2 days,	469 75
Ed. McCoy, team 49 8-9 days,	347 71
D. P. Child, team 40 days,	274 88
S. C. Stimson, team 27 2-9 days,	190 55
James Ready, engineer steam roller, 82 5-9 d,	495 33
Carleton Corey, 82 2-3 days,	283 20
Tracy Sawyer, 76 days,	256 62
Penn Jerden, 67 4-9 days,	229 56
Linwood Tewksbury, 51 2-9 days,	175 39
Byron Sherman, 55 4-9 days,	194 06

Clyde Knighton, 44 2-3 days,	154 33
George Quebec, 40 days,	137 50
Hiram Aldrich, 38 days,	133 00
Earl Clark, 32 8-9 days,	115 11
Albert Sylvester, 29 2-9 days,	102 28
Cobert Woolson, 30 2-9 days,	105 78
A. Knighton, 17 5-9 days,	52 67
C. H. Hardy, 16 5-9 days	56 56
Ollie Knighton, 13 days,	45 50
Dana Sawyer, 12 5-9 days,	43 94
Ephraim Corey, Jr., 13 2-3 days,	41 00
S. C. Stimson, man 11 4-9 days,	40 06
C. J. Downing, 11 4-9 days,	40 06
Homer McFarland, 11 days,	38 50
Fred Santy, 12 2-3 days,	38 00
Jerry Higgins, 7 2-3 days,	26 82
Eugene Clough, 9 1-9 days,	27 34
Clyde Deatte, 6 days,	21 00
Irvin Estes, 4 2-9 days,	12 67
E. J. Ross, man 3 8-9 days	11 67
A. Estes, 3 days,	10 50
A. E. Varney, labor	12 00
Roy McQuestion, 3 2-9 days,	9 67
D. H. Johnson, 2 7-9 days,	8 34
D. H. Johnson, automobile 3 2-9 days	3 22
Alfred Chamberlin, 2 days,	7 00
B. S. Clough, 2 1-9 days,	6 33
D. P. Child, 2 1-9 days,	6 33
Chase Gates, 1 5-9 days	4 67
E. Greenwood, 1 2-9 days,	3 67
Leslie Stewart, 1 day,	3 50
Fred Laundre, 1-2 day,	1 75
H. S. Lang, 5 hours,	1 67
J. B. Hibbard, 5 hours,	1 67
G. C. Minot, self and mixer 1 day,	7 00
Moulton & Clark, coal,	326 11
Standard Oil Co., gasoline,	169 56
W. W. Presby, 23 gals, cylinder oil,	14 95
W. W. Presby, 5 lb hard grease,	60
Parker-Young Co., railing, etc.	144 29
Geo. Mitton, 148 cedar posts,	59 20
N. E. Road Mach. Co., repairs,	119 60
A. E. Council, repairs,	55 82
Central Garage, repairs,	9 49
Park Square Garage, repairs,	1 00
A. U. Sherman, blacksmithing,	1 25

W. F. Raney, blacksmithing,	1 50
B. A. Stymest, supplies,	22 39
Gowing & Chamberlin, supplies,	3 25
Geo. Goudie, rake,	1 45
F. W. Bangs, dynamite,	3 95
R. Scruggs, supplies,	1 10
Bishop & Young, cement,	11 05
Am. Ry. Express, express on repairs,	11 97
E. Carleton, 1,796 loads of gravel,	179 60
A. N. Blandin, 160 loads of gravel and sand,	16 00
H. F. Tewksbury, 115 loads of sand,	11 50
Ada S. Morse, 84 loads of sand,	8 40
V. Samson, 19 loads of sand,	1 90
E. I. Oakes, 12 loads of sand,	1 20
C. W. Jackson, land damage and gravel	11 50

State Highway Dept.:

Engineering	157 25
Rent of steam roller	397 20
Rent of sweeper	38 79
Broom for sweeper	15 00
16,799 gals. No. 6 oil	1,402 72
Culvert pipe	122 89
54 ft. of 8-inch steel pipe	4 32
Total expenditures,	$ 9,969 39

Statement of Trunk Line Maintenance Account:

State appropriation, 1923,	$ 6,000 00
State's proportion of overdraft,	646 26
Town appropriation, 1923,	3,000 00
Town's proportion of overdarft,	323 13
Total joint fund,	$ 9,969 39

Detail 11. Town Maintenance:

James H. Nutter, Agent.

1922

Joshua Nutter, lumber,	$ 112 12
C. E. Drury, 258 loads of gravel,	25 80
W. E. Carr, 62 loads of gravel,	6 20

L. A. Whitcomb, 52 loads of gravel,	5 20
H. F. Tewksbury, 35 loads of gravel,	3 50
G. H. Thayer, lighting washout,	2 85

1923

James H. Nutter, men and teams,	353 00
Geo. Montgomery, team 12 days,	84 00
Ed. McCoy, team 11 days,	77 00
D. H. Johnson, team 2 5-9 days,	17 88
W. E. Carr, team 2 days,	14 00
D. M. Carr, team 1 day,	7 00
L. A. Whitcomb, team 1 day,	7 00
J. E. Peters, team 5 hours,	3 05
Geo. Brown, 22 days,	64 00
George Brill, 17 days,	51 00
D. M. Hunt, 18 1-2 days,	55 50
K. B. Aldrich, 9 days,	25 50
A. W. Young, 3 days, 2 1-2 hours,	8 25
J. W. Young, 2 1-2 days,	6 25
Max Moulton, 2 days,	5 00
G. H. Thayer, 8 hours,	2 23
Forrest Austin, 1 day,	2 50
Ed. McCoy, 1 day,	2 50
J. Peters, 1 day,	3 00
Ed. Cross, 1 day,	3 00
L. A. Whitcomb, self and man 8 hours,	6 22
Tracy Sawyer, 2 5-9 days,	8 94
L. Enderson, 2 days,	7 00
Penn Jerden, 1 day,	3 50
Ollie Knighton, 1 day,	3 50
Ernest Lewis, 1 day,	3 50
D. M. Carr, 6 hours,	2 00
H. A. Young, labor,	1 00
F. P. Wells, culvert pipe,	56 88
D. S. Stone, lumber,	4 36
W. E. Carr, 61 loads of gravel,	6 10
	$ 1,050 33

Wayne W. Presby, Agent.

W. W. Presby, agent, 19 days,	$ 66 50
W. W. Presby, automobile, 2 1-2 days,	2 50
W. W. Presby, men and team,	138 78
Leslie Oakes, team 20 days,	130 00

D. P. Child, team 19 8-9 days,	130 46
D. H. Johnson, team 14 5-9 days,	94 61
E. J. Ross, team 6 days,	39 00
Jonas Minot, team 4 1-2 days,	30 50
D. S. Reed, team 9 days,	60 00
I. F. Wheeler, team and labor,	25 50
Albert Haddock, team 1 day,	6 50
S. C. Stimson, team 8 hours,	5 78
Carleton Corey, 28 days,	84 00
Tracy Sawyer, 23 5-9 days,	70 66
Albia Knighton, 21 4-9 days,	64 33
D. S. Reed, man 19 days,	62 50
E. J. Blair, team and labor,	36 75
Clyde Knighton, 8 days,	24 00
E. Corey, Jr., 6 5-9 days	19 67
Fred Santy, 6 2-9 days,	18 67
Mitchell Bros., labor,	19 25
Chas. Woolson, labor, 1922-23,	18 58
Eugene Clough, 6 days,	18 00
Irvin Estes, 6 days,	18 00
J. B. Hibbard, 4 5-9 days,	17 94
L. Grenier, man 5 days,	17 50
Earl Clark, 4 days,	14 00
Geo. Deatte, 3 7-9 days,	13 22
Byron Sherman, 3 5-9 days,	11 44
Cobert Woolson, 3 4-9 days,	10 33
Albert Sylvester, 3 4-9 days,	10 33
Penn Jerden, 3 2-9 days,	9 67
Jonas Minot, man 2 1-2 days,	8 75
A. E. Varney, 2 days,	7 00
D. P. Child, man 1 2-3 days,	5 37
D. H. Johnson, 1 5-9 days,	4 67
C. H. Hardy, 1 2-3 days,	5 05
O. Knighton, 1 2-9 days,	4 28
Amos Wheeler, 1 day,	3 00
G. E. Powers, 1 day,	3 00
Dana Sawyer, 1 day,	3 00
E. J. Ross, man 1-2 day,	1 50
G. C. Minot, 3 days, cement mixer 2 days,	17 50
O. E. Kittridge, labor and gravel,	8 46
Edgar Wood, man 1 day,	3 50
Walter Raney, blacksmithing,	1 25
Northeast Metal Culvert Co., culvert pipe	65 86
Bishop & Young, 82 sacks cement,	69 70
E. J. Ross, lumber,	95 38

F. M. Riley, stone 1922,	20 00
H. H. Poor, bridge stringers,	3 50
	$ 1,619 74

West Side District

Carl W. Chamberlin, labor,	$ 72 90
Carl W. Chamberlin, spike and repairs,	4 37
Frank V. Chase, 23 2-9 days,	92 89
Frank V. Chase, team 2 1-9 days,	13 37
W. H. Greenwood, team 14 5-6 days,	92 55
W. H. Greenwood, man 14 8-9 days,	48 80
C. M. Chase, team,	81 73
R. E. Drew, labor,	74 04
A. E. Flanders, team 9 days, man 1-3 day,	63 98
Church Bros., team 17 1-2 hours, man 7 hours,	14 93
A. H. Nelson, team 2 hours, man 14 hours	6 11
A. L. Hutchins, team 5 hours, man 5 hours,	5 25
Davis & Rinehart, team 1 day,	7 00
Geo. Tilton, team 2 days,	13 00
A. B. Franklin, team 3 hours,	2 16
Wendall Spreadby, 12 days,	42 00
Andrew Burbank, 4 days,	12 00
A. H. Schoff, 1 day,	3 50
Leon Hall, 7 hours,	2 33
Chester Caswell, 1-2 day,	1 50
F. V. Chase, sharpening drills,	1 87
A. B. Franklin, 31 poles for railing,	12 40
D. S. Stone, 468 ft. plank, 1922,	16 35
Northeast Metal Culvert Co., culvert pipe,	90 95
C. M. Chase, 126 loads of gravel,	12 60
	$ 788 58

Miscellaneous Highway Bills

Joshua Nutter, snowing Swiftwater bridge,	$ 1 00
F. P. Wells, snowing Swiftwater bridge,	8 50
C. H. Hardy, snowing Bath bridge,	12 00
C. W. Jackman, snowing Jackman bridge,	9 60
H. J. Arsenault, ploughing sidewalks,	18 00
C. H. Hardy, ploughing sidewalks,	17 00

John A. Thornton, ploughing sidewalks,	10 25
Roy McQuestion, care of Bath bridge,	20 00
C. H. Hardy, care of Bath bridge,	11 00
John A. Thornton, shoveling snow, etc.,	4 20
A. W. Young, painting Wilson bridge,	10 00
J. B. Hibbard, 3 5-6 days,	11 50
W. C. Austin, team housing road machines, etc.,	1 50
Standard Oil Co., 300 gals, road oil,	25 05
Semet-Solvay Co., 937lb calcium chloride	15 95
New England Road Machinery Co., repairs,	2 75
T. B. Southard, 60 loads of gravel, 1922	6 00
Parker-Young Co., 4358 ft. of plank and stringers for Jackman bridge	190 51
Geo. Mitton, 46 cedar posts	18 40
F. P. Wells, tools and supplies	8 14
B. A. Stymest, tools and supplies	9 25
H. W. Nelson, supplies	9 84
	$420 44

SUMMARY

James H. Nutter, agent	$1,050 33
Wayne W. Presby, agent	1,619 74
West Side District	788 58
Miscellaneous Highway Bills	420 44
Total	$3,879 09

Detail 12. Street Lighting:

Woodsville Fire District, electric current	$36 00
H. A. Young, lighting Swiftwater bridge	12 00
H. W. Nelson, 11 electric lamps	6 60
	$54 60

Detail 13. General Expenses of Highway Department:

R. T. Bartlett, insurance on Swiftwater bridge	$ 7 50
F. P. Dearth, insurance on Bath bridge	45 00
Woolson & Clough, insurance on Bath bridge	105 00
W. H. Greenwood, land damage	165 00

Mitchell Bros., rent of winter road to April 1, 1924	30 00
Edwin P. Chamberlin, rent of winter road to April 1, 1924	5 00
Ada S. Morse, housing town tools one year to July 1, 1923	10 00
New England Road Machinery Co., road machine	392 00
B. & M. Railroad, freight on road machine	22 23
Henry S. Lang, water trough abatement, 2 years	6 00
N. B. Foster, water trough abatement	3 00
H. H. Poor, water trough abatement	3 00
Orrin Kittridge, water trough abatement	3 00
J. E. Peters, water trough abatement	3 00
Carleton Corey, water trough abatement	3 00
B. W. Clark, water trough abatement	3 00
H. F. Tewksbury, water trough abatement	3 00
F. P. Wells, water trough abatement (2)	6 00
	$814 73

Detail 14. Bath Free Public Library:

Paid Alfred E. Houston, trustee	$200 00

Detail 15. Town Poor:

Grafton County Farm:

Boarding Hale Webster 294 days	$294 00
Clothing for Hale Webster	6 25
Expense of taking H. Webster to State Hospital at Concord	6 56
Mrs. Geo. Nelson, for Hale Webster	20 00
E. M. Miller, M. D., for Hale Webster	4 00
	$330 81

Detail 16. County Poor:

Cottage Hospital, account of Geo. Sulham	$90 85
Dr. Dearborn, account of Geo. Sulham	15 00
Dr. Spear, account of Geo. Sulham	25 00
Dr. Miller, account of Geo. Sulham	13 00

J. H. Nutter, wood for Geo. Sulham	25 00
Tracy Sawyer, 5 mo. rent for Geo. Sulham	30 00
F. P. Wells, supplies for Geo. Sulham	112 97
Cottage Hospital, account of Jerry Higgins	13 85
	$325 67

Detail 17. Memorial Day Expenses:

Fred P. Wells, flags	$5 17

Detail 18. Soldiers' Memorial:

Louis Carri, granite work	$1,080 25
Cyrus Batchelder, 4 bronze tablets	612 00
Am. Express Co., express on tablets	7 27
B. A. Stymest, cement for foundation	13 20
G. C. Minot and cement mixer	4 00
A. Estes, 1-2 day	1 75
J. B. Hibbard, 1 5-6 days	6 40
J. R. Lowe, labor moving flag pole	28 50
O. A. Tewksbury, labor moving flag pole	6 22
	$1,759 59

Detail 19. Care of Cemeteries:

D. M. Carr, sexton:	
Care of Swiftwater cemetery	$14 75
Care of Knight lot	2 00
Jonas Minot, sexton:	
Mowing West Bath cemetery	3 00
Care of Abbott lot	2 00
John B. Hibbard:	
Care of Village cemetery	38
Hibbard lot	10 00
Jackman lots	15 00
Simonds lot	4 00
Thorn lot	2 00
Parker lot	2 00
Grey lot	2 00
French lot	3 00
Bean lot	2 00
Lang lot	1 00
	$63 13

Detail 20. Taxes Bought by Town:

Paid M. A. Weeks, collector, for taxes bought by town, 1922 list	$1,484 16

Detail 21. Tax Abatements:

Stearns Morse, over taxed, 1923	$20 64
Mann, Hosford & Colby, over taxed, 1917	15 00
	$35 64

Detail 22. Interest on Temporary Loans:

Lisbon Savings Bank & Trust Co.	$300 00

Detail 23. Highways—State Aid Construction:

W. W. Presby, foreman, 25 5-8 days	$153 33
W. W. Presby, automobile, 25 days	25 00
W. W. Presby, team, 22 2-3 days	155 66
W. W. Presby, man 5 hours	1 94
D. H. Johnson, team 28 1-3 days	193 89
Leslie Oakes, team 17 5-9 days	122 89
Ed. McCoy, team 15 days	105 00
E. J. Ross, team 12 days	84 00
W. E. Carr, team 3 4-9 days	24 11
L. A. Whitcomb, team 1 day	7 00
Penn Jerden, 29 2-3 days.	103 83
Tracy Sawyer, 28 days	98 00
L. Enderson, 21 1-9 days	73 89
Carleton Corey, 19 1-9 days	66 89
Ollie Knighton, 17 4-9 days	61 06
Clyde Deatte, 17 days	59 50
Clyde Knighton, 13 days	45 50
J. B. Hibbard, carpenter, 4 8-9 days	24 45
F. W. Bangs, dynamite and caps	6 39
Dana Sawyer, 3 days	10 50
D. H. Johnson, 2 days	7 00
Geo. Deatte, 2 days	7 00
Byron Sherman, 2 days	7 00
Earl Clark, 1 day	3 50
Hiram Aldrich, 1 day	3 50
C. J. Downing, 1 day	3 50
Penn Jerden, lighting bridge	3 00

Bishop & Young, cement	154 70
Joshua Nutter, lumber	40 52
Lisbon Village Dist., cement mixer 3 days	9 00
G. C. Minot and mixer, 1 day	7 00
Parker-Young Co., railing	60 40
Geo. Mitton, 76 cedar posts	30 40
Lebanon Machine Co., catch basin cover	23 70
Am. Express Co.	3 69
B. & M. Railroad, freight	3 03
G. W. Goudie, 30 ft. of 8 in. tile	13 50
H. W. Nelson, supplies	21 43
F. P. Wells, supplies	5 00
W. E. Carr, 739 loads of gravel	73 90
State Highway Dept.:	
Engineering	40 00
Culverts	89 38
Reenforcing steel	45 24
Channel posts	16 50
Carborumdum brick	1 85
Steel pipe	4 00
	$2,100 57

Statement of State Aid Construction Account:

Balance from 1922	$518 62
State appropriation, 1923	523 60
Town appropriation, 1923	1,309 50
Total joint fund	$2,351 72
Less amount expended	2,100 57
Balance available for 1924	$251 15

Detail 24. State Aid Bridge at Pettyboro Schoolhouse:

W. W. Presby, foreman, 12 2-9 days	$73 33
W. W. Presby, team 12 8-9 days	90 23
Geo. Mitton, team 20 8-9 days	146 23
S. C. Stimson, team 14 5-9 days	101 89
Byron Sherman, 36 days	126 00
Geo. Quebec, 24 8-9 days	87 12
Frank Little, carpenter, 17 4-9 days	87 23
Leslie Stewart, carpenter, 4 4-9 days	17 79

Geo. Deatte, 9 2-9 days	33 83
Clyde Deatte, 7 days	24 50
C. McDonald, 6 4-9 days	22 56
Man sifting gravel, 6 days	21 00
R. Batchelder, self and tractor 3 days	25 50
Ollie Knighton, 6 days	21 00
Earl Clark, 5 5-9 days	19 44
Penn Jerden, 3 2-3 days	12 83
Clyde Knighton, 3 days	10 50
Burt Clough, 3 days	10 50
S. C. Stimson, man 3 4-9 days	12 06
Geo. Mitton, 2 days	7 00
L. Enderson, 2 days	7 00
Tracy Sawyer, 2 days	7 00
D. H. Johnson, 2 days	7 00
Hiram Aldrich, 1 day	3 50
A. E. Varney, labor	3 00
W. W. Presby, man and car 1 day after pump	4 00
Paid for moving cement mixer from Lyme, N. H., to Pettyboro bridge	23 00
Paid for moving mixer from Bath Village to Lyme	20 00
Parker-Young Co., lumber, etc.	109 09
Moulton & Clark, cement	316 58
Town of Lisbon, stone	9 30
Gowing & Chamberlin, supplies	8 25
American Ry. Express	7 63
Boston & Maine Railroad, freight	19 55
Standard Oil Co., gasoline	27 25
W. W. Presby, 4 1-2 gals. oil	2 92
State Highway Department:	
Engineering	19 90
"I" Beams	363 00
Gravel screen	2 50
Hanger rods	21 50
Channel posts	23 22
	$1,955 73

Statement of State Aid Bridge Account:

Received from State	$977 86	
Paid by Town	977 87	
		$1,955 73

Detail 25. Payments on Temporary Loans:

Lisbon Savings Bank & Trust Co.	$7,500 00

Detail 26. Outstanding Orders Paid During Year:

All orders outstanding Jan. 31, 1923		$2,016 56

Detail 27. Taxes Paid to State:

State tax for 1923		$1,702 00
$2.00 on each $5.00 poll tax collected during year, as follows:		
1921 poll taxes collected, 8		16 00
1922 poll taxes collected, 73		146 00
1923 poll taxes collected, 349		698 00
		$2,562 00

Detail 28. Taxes Paid to County:

County tax for 1923		$1,833 45

Detail 29. Payments to School Districts:

Town District:		
Proportion of dog license money	$80 37	
Balance of 1922 appropriations	1,000 00	
Part payment of 1923 appropriations	3,586 87	
		$4,667 24
Union District:		
Proportion of dog license money	$58 77	
Balance of 1922 appropriations	1,500 00	
Part payment of 1923 appropriations	3,960 00	
Woodsville District:		
Proportion of dog license money		13 80
Landaff District:		
Proportion of dog license money		86
Total payments to school districts		$10,200 67

To the Citizens of Bath:

On the foregoing pages we present the annual town report for the year ending January 31, 1924.

Wages paid on the highway during the past year were as follows: From Feb. 1st to about May 1st, $2.50 per day for men and $5.50 for teams; from May 1st to about Aug. 1st, $3.00 per day for men and $5.50 for teams; since Aug. 1st, $3.50 for men and $7.00 for teams. This will explain any difference in wages that may be found in the several highway accounts.

Last October a new road leading from the farm buildings of W. H. Greenwood to the Flint place, so called, was laid out by the selectmen, and the sum of $325.00 awarded to Mr. Greenwood for land damages. Only $165.00 of this amount has been paid, as shown under Detail 13. The balance becomes due July 1, 1924.

A piece of road between the Deacon Lang place and D. P. Child's was graveled during the past season. The greater part of the work was done by residents of that neighborhood on a 50-50 basis or one days' work free for each day the town paid them. No charge was made by Mr. Child for the stone and gravel used. Those who contributed labor were:

D. P. Child, team 2 3-4 days	$19 25
Jonas Minot, team 2 1-2 days, man 2 1-2 days	26 25
Ira F. Wheeler, team 2 1-2 days	17 50
David S. Reed, man 4 1-2 days	15 75
Total labor contributed	$78 75

The Soldiers' Memorial Committee have expended, to date, $1,759.59 of the $2,000 appropriated last March, as shown under Detail 18, leaving a balance of $240.41. Orders have been placed for a cap stone for the center die of the monument, and for electric fixtures for the posts, which will cost about $225.00.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN B. HIBBARD,
FRED P. WELLS,
DAVID S. REED,

Selectmen of Bath.

I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

HENRY S. LANG, Auditor.

Bath, N. H., Feb. 12, 1924.

TRUST FUNDS

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUND

RECEIPTS

Hibbard Legacy ($1,000) ; Interest one year	$29 11
Hutchins Legacy ($1,500) ; Interest one year	101 25
Simonds Legacy ($500) ; Interest one year	20 20
French Legacy ($100) ; Interest one year	4 04
Carbee Legacy ($500) ; Interest one year	20 20
Jackman Legacy ($1,000) ; Interest one year	42 50
Abbott Legacy ($100) ; Interest one year	4 04
Gray Legacy ($50) ; Interest one year	2 02
Parker Legacy ($50) ; Interest one year	2 02
Knight Legacy ($50) ; Interest one year	2 13
Bean Legacy ($100) ; Interest one year	3 69
Thorn Legacy ($50) ; Interest one year	2 12
Bailey Legacy ($50) ; Interest added to principal.	——
Lang Legacy ($200) ; Interest one year	8 75
Burn-Well Legacy ($100) ; Interest one year	1 66
Mansfield Legacy ($100) ; Interest one year	33
Total	$244 06

Six months interest on Hibbard $500 Bonds has not as yet been received.

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid Town, Cemetery Account	$64 38
Balance carried to Accumulated Income Fund Account	179 68
Total	$244 06

RESERVE FUND

Balance from 1923	$103 20
Interest for 1923	3 78
Total	$106 98

ACCUMULATED INCOME

Balance from 1923 including $50 Bond	$215 98
Interest for 1923	9 34
Surplus Income from Trust Funds	179 68
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1924	$405 00

E. C. POOR,
A. B. WOOD,
H. D. WHITCOMB,

Trustees of the Trust Fund.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the Trustees of the Trust Fund and find them correctly cast.

The Jackman, Knight and Thorn Legacies and one-half of the Hibbard Legacy are secured by Liberty Bonds; the Hutchins Legacy by the City of Pittston, Pa., school bonds.

The Simonds, French, Carbee, Abbott, Gray, Parker, Bailey, Bean, Lang, Burn-Wells and Mansfield Legacies and one-half of the Hibbard Legacy, Reserve Funds and the Accumulated Income Funds are deposited in the Lisbon Savings Bank & Trust Co.

HENRY S. LANG, Auditor.

Bath, N. H., Feb. 11, 1924.

BATH FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Financial Statement
for year ending January 31, 1924

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1923	$57 68	
Town appropriation	200 00	
War Heroes Fund	8 00	
Fines collected by librarian	6 15	
		$271 83

EXPENDITURES

Books	$70 83	
Periodicals	36 50	
Librarian's salary	60 00	
Insurance	22 50	
Supplies	5 65	
Rebinding	9 93	
Postage and freight	1 33	
		$206 74
Balance on hand		$65 09

The War Heroes Fund amounts to $234.84; the approximate interest of which is used to purchase books.

MYRTIE P. CONANT,
ALFRED E. HOUSTON,
Library Trustees.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

CIRCULATION

Adult fiction	1575
Adult non-fiction	270
Juvenile fiction	650
Juvenile non-fiction	150
Periodicals	1087
Total	3732

RESOURCES

Number of bound volumes Feb. 1, 1923	3471
Number of bound volumes added by purchase	34
Number of bound volumes added by gift	5
Total	3510
Number of magazines purchased	12

MRS. BESSIE F. RANDALL,

Librarian.

I have examined the accounts of the Library Trustees and find them correctly cast and properly vouched with a balance on hand of $65.09.

H. S. LANG, Auditor.

Bath, N. H., Feb. 11, 1924.

BATH TOWN DISTRICT

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

To the School Board and Citizens of Bath Town School District:

I am herewith presenting my thirteenth annual report.

The names of the five teachers with the total enrollment to date is follows: Carbee, Thelma Nichols, 9 pupils; Hibbard, Mary Graham, 14 pupils; Nutter, Gladys Dunkley, 8 pupils; Pettyboro, Vera Woolson, 13 pupils; Swiftwater, Winifred Gearwar, 37 pupils. The actual enrollment at date is 70. There are two pupils in the Woodsville grades, six in Woodsville High, six at Bath Union High, three in Lisbon High, and four in Lisbon Junior High. The tuition of these twenty-one pupils is paid by the town up to $70 per year.

Only one pupil had a perfect record for attendance for the entire year, Waldo Peters. The percent of attendance for all schools was 94, but each school lost on an average six days.

Gerald Young and Howard Young were graduated from the eighth grade in June.

The outside of the school buildings at Carbee and Pettyboro were painted during the summer. New windows were bought for Swiftwater and the interior of the building papered and painted. New toilets were built at Nutter, one side of the roof shingled, and the school room papered. This is an excellent record of school house improvement for the year. Next year the painting program should be continued and the shed at Swiftwater repaired.

With one exception the teachers in town were experienced and all but one attended the summer session of the Normal School. This has had a helpful influence on the quality of the work, the atttendance, and the general efficiency of the schools. The rural school presents the biggest problem in teaching of any kind of schools and can be met satisfactorily only by building up a better teaching force. With the state aid now

available and the increasing supply of trained teachers, each year should show better teachers and better teaching in the rural schools.

During the year ending June 30 there were 238 visits by citizens, 19 by members of the school board, and 80 by the superintendent. Apparently the public is taking greater interest in its schools and in no way can parents and other citizens better aid school authorities and teachers than by actually seeing the work of the schoolroom and by talking over in a friendly way with the teacher any special problem which may arise. People who never visit the school nor the teacher are absolutely incompetent to pass judgment on any circumstance which may come up in school. Very many of the failures in our schools are due to a wrong attitude on the part of parents who fail to back the school and the teacher.

Again, in closing I wish to say that I have thoroughly enjoyed the work of the year.

Respectfully submitted,

NORMAN J. PAGE.

SCHOOL BUDGET

For Bath Town School District for the year 1924-25

Estimates:

For teachers' salaries	$3,600 00	
For janitors	216 00	
For medical inspection	122 97	
For elementary tuition	54 00	
For fuel	300 00	
For flags and appurtenances	10 00	
For text books	100 00	
For scholars' supplies	100 00	
Estimated cost of elementary schools		$4,502 97

School Board estimate of assessment required:

To meet the above expense, a $5 tax on each $1,000 of equalized valuation	$2,631 89	
For high school tuitions	1,200 00	
State $2 per capita tax	218 00	
Salaries of district officers	100 00	
Superintendent's excess salary	125 00	
Repairs and equipment	300 00	
Total amount to be raised by taxation		$4,574 89

Respectfully submitted,

L. E. CAMPBELL,
A. H. SCHOFF,

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the School District of the Town of Bath, qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said town on Tuesday, March 11, 1924, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to act on the following:

1st. To choose a moderator for the ensuing year.

2nd. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.

3rd. To choose a member of the school board for the ensuing three years.

4th. To choose a treasurer for the ensuing year.

5th. To choose an auditor for the ensuing year.

6th. To see if the district will vote to raise the amount of money required for the support of schools and the payment of statutory obligations as recommended by the school board and published in the budget printed in the town report or make any alterations therein.

7th. To transact any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

Given under our hands at said Bath this 15th day of February A. D. 1924.

L. E. CAMPBELL,
A. H. SCHOFF,

School Board of Bath, N. H.

A true copy of the warrant, Attest.

L. E. CAMPBELL,
A. H. SCHOFF,

School Board of Bath, N. H.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Report for the fiscal year, beginning July 1, 1922 and ending June 30, 1923

RECEIPTS

From the state:		
Equalization fund	$2,046 14	$2,046 14
From taxation:		
For the support of elementary schools	2,029 06	
For the payment of high school tuition	1,000 00	
For the salaries of district officers	200 00	
For the payment of the state $2 tax	234 00	
For repairs	100 00	
For insurance	187 50	
		$3,750 56
From sources other than taxation:		
Dog licenses	80 37	
Elementary school tuitions	37 00	
Income from local trust funds	35 81	
		$153 18
Total receipts from all sources		$5,949 88
Cash on hand July 1, 1922		338 34
Grand total		$6,288 22

PAYMENTS

Salaries of district officers	$100 00
Superintendent's excess salary	125 00
School census	8 77
Expenses of administration	3 27
Teachers' salaries	3,276 00
Text books	94 11
Scholars' supplies	81 59

Janitor service	216 50	
Fuel	317 80	
Janitor's supplies	11 80	
Minor repairs and expenses	165 60	
Medical inspection	114 00	
Transportation of pupils	148 00	
High school tuition	1,007 35	
Elementary school tuition	27 00	
New equipment	5 29	
State $2 per capita tax	234 00	
Total payments for all purposes		$5,936 08
Cash on hand June 30, 1923		352 14
Grand total		$6,288 22

The assets of the district on June 30, 1923 were:

Cash on hand	$352 14
Due from town on 1922 appropriation	1,000 00
Total assets	$1,352 14

Respectfully submitted,

P. J. Poor, Treasurer.

I have examined the above accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched with a balance in the Bank of $352.14.

HENRY S. LANG, Auditor.

UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

To the School Board and Citizens of Bath Union School District:

I am presenting for your consideration my thirteenth annual report, the seventeenth in the series of district superintendent's reports.

The village is fortunate in retaining the services of the same efficent corps of teachers as last year,—Wilfred L. Owen and Mrs. Ellen Stoughton Chase in the high school and the Misses Dearth and Sargent in the grades. The total registration is the same as last year,—21 high school pupils and 54 in the grades. There are six tuition pupils enrolled in the high school.

As might be expected the excellent work of last year has continued. The scholastic results are good in every grade; the school spirit is fine; the success of the high school athletics is unusual in a school so limited in numbers. On the part of teachers and pupils there seems to be a willingness to do the thing that needs to be done.

Seven pupils from grade eight entered high school, Timothy Aldrich, Phyllis Bailey, Walter Campbell, Lawrence Chase, Minnie Chase, Mabel Goodine and Walter Goodrich. The following were graduated from high school: Henry Aldrich, Louise Bailey, Edith Minot, Jonas Minot Jr., and Roger Reed.

The record of attendance for the year ending June 30, 1923 was somewhat better than for the year preceeding. The per cent of attendance rose from 91 to 92 with an average of seven days lost for various reasons.

The heating system has been repaired, the basement cleaned up and some of the windows repaired, a closet built for science equipment, broken window cords fixed, and other minor repairs made. The building has been kept in good condition during the present year. Next year the roof should be repaired and the walls of the rooms retinted as they are badly discolored.

Headmaster Owen's appended report will give additional information about the high school.

This year the district received $163.51 from the state equalization fund. The budget as made out for next year calls for $274.18 from the state. This is not a large amount but will help some of the expense of the elementary schools. The state gives no financial assistance to high schools. While the total expense of running the schools seems large, the tax on the community is much less than in some neighboring districts. Certainly the salaries of teachers and officers as well as the general expense of running the schools are very moderate in comparison to most towns. At any rate I am confidant that the district is getting value received for every dollar it is investing in schools.

Respectfully submitted,

NORMAN J. PAGE.

REPORT OF THE HEADMASTER

To the Superintendent of Schools, Sir:

I hereby present my second report as Headmaster of Bath Union High School.

Bath Union High School opened Sept. 10, 1923 with an enrollment of 21 pupils. Two have since left school and one has transferred to another school, leaving the present attendance 18. Of this number five are tuition pupils.

During the summer cupboards were built with sliding glass doors for chemical and physical apparatus. A hood was built to carry poisonous gases into the chimney and running water installed in the laboratory. With these improvements and the addition of considerable new equipment Bath High School now has a laboratory which will compare favorably with that of the average high school.

In addition to the above mentioned improvements all windows of the building were put in good condition, including putty, glass and weights. Cement sills were put in the basement and windows and new sashes installed. Some of the plumbing was changed to prevent freezing. The furnaces were cleaned and inspection

showed the coal furnace to be in poor condition. The walls and ceiling of the building should be repaired and refinished as soon as possible for preservation as well as for appearances.

Of the 18 pupils now enrolled in the high school 50 per cent are now over 16 years of age. This fact shows the interest of both pupils and parents when we consider that the laws of New Hampshire require school attendance only until sixteen years of age.

Three of the five graduates of the High School in 1923 are now attending more advanced schools.

Small high schools are often criticized for not giving the opportunities for activities which may be obtained in larger schools. In this respect I wish to mention a few of the activities which are carried on in Bath High School. The "Bath Union Spirit" of which two issues are to be published this year, is handled, financies included, almost entirely by the students. School dramatics including chorus singing are conducted each year. Athletics include basket ball for boys and girls, volley ball, baseball and probably tennis this year. In a school of this size all pupils take active part in each type of activity rather than leaving everything to a few stars.

A new piano has been obtained and is being paid for through the efforts of the high school and the grades.

The Superintendent and School Board have given unqualified support to the school at all times.

Respectfully submitted,

W. L. OWEN.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Report of the fiscal year, ending June 30, 1923

RECEIPTS

From taxation:		
For the support of elementary schools,	$ 1,822 58	
For the support of high school	2,535 00	
Salaries of district officers	115 00	
For the payment of principal and interest on debt	500 00	
For the payment of state $2 tax	128 00	
For repairs	200 00	
		$ 5,300 58
From sources other than taxation:		
Dog licenses	$ 58 77	
Elementary school tuitions	21 11	
High school tuitions	420 00	
Income from trust funds	26 21	
Rebate on teacher's salary	12 67	
		$ 538 76
Total receipts		$ 5,839 34
Cash on hand June 30, 1923		57 81
Grand total		$ 5,897 15

PAYMENTS

	Total	High	Elementary
Salaries of district officers	$ 20 00		
Superintendent's excess salary	100 00		
School census	3 00		
Expense of administration	2 52		
Principal's and teachers' salaries	3,884 00	$ 2,300 00	$ 1,584 00
Text books	109 20	33 00	76 20
Scholars supplies	135 77	41 87	93 90
Flags and appurtenances	3 11	1 55	1 56
Other expenses of instruction	4 29	4 29	
Janitor service	135 00	67 50	67 50
Fuel	253 21	126 60	126 61

Water and janitors' supplies	39 86	19 93	19 93
Minor repairs and expenses	73 55	36 77	36 78
Medical inspection	67 50	7 50	60 00
Other fixed charges	6 00		
Payment of debt, principal and interest	845 01		
State $2 tax	128 00		
Total payments for all purposes	$ 5,810 02	$ 2,639 31	$ 2,066 48
Cash on hand June 30, 1923	87 13		
Grand total	$ 5,897 15		

SCHOOL BUDGET

Bath Union District, 1924-25

	Total	High	Elementary
Estimate for teachers' salaries	$ 3,884 00	$ 2,300 00	$ 1,584 00
Estimate for janitor service	135 00	67 50	67 50
Estimate for water and janitor supplies	40 00	20 00	20 00
Estimate for fuel	250 00	125 00	125 00
Estimate for text books and supplies	275 00	100 00	175 00
Estimate for school nurse	87 49		87 49
Estimate for repairs and equipment	200 00	100 00	100 00
State $2 per capita tax	122 00		
Salaries of district officers	35 00		
Superintendent's excess salary	100 00		
Total estimate	$ 5,128 49	$ 2,712 50	$ 2,158 99

Assessment required to meet the above:

For elementary schools one half of one percent of equalized valuation	$ 1,884 81
For high school	2,712 50
For general expense	257 00
Total assessment	$ 4,854 31

Births Registered in the town of Bath for the Year Ending December 31, 1923

Date of Birth	Name of Child (if any)	Sex and Cond. Sex	Liv. or Sb.	No. of Ch.	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
Feb 26	Charlotte Agnes Knighton	f	L	5	Benj. H. Knighton	May Gordon	Bath	Mill hand	Bath	Lyman
26	Julia Patricia Wilson	f	L	2	Theodore G. Wilson	Flora E. Drury	Bath	Mechanic	Bath	Bath
Mar 16	Hazel Mae Welch	f	L	8	Freeman C. Welch	Effie A. Green	Bath	R R Emp	Percy	Bakersfield, Vt.
May 3	Perley Arthur Knighton Jr	m	L	3	Perley A. Knighton	Bertha Hutchins	Bath	Machinist	Bath	Winooski Vt.
11	Velma Louise Houston	f	L	5	Alfred E. Houston	Florence L. Johnson	Bath	Farmer	New Ipswich	Fairlee, Vt.
12	Maurice Edwin Austin	m	L	5	Glenford O. Austin	Grace Riley	Bath	R R Emp	Enosburg F, Vt.	Montgomery, Vt
25	Robert Page Woods	m	L	3	Minot W. Woods	Barbara J. Whitney	Bath	Farmer	Bath	Bath
July 2	Suzane J. T. Aldrich	m	L	2	Hiram F. Aldrich	Dora E. Thornton	Bath	Farmer	Lisbon	Woodsville
25	Paul William Glover Jr.	m	L	2	Paul William Glover	Katherine E. Blandin	Bath	Civ Eng	Woodsville	Bath
Aug 1	Bernice James Howe	m	L	4	Ray J. Howe	Ina Crawford	Bath	Creamery	Concord, Vt.	Concord, Vt.
Sep 21	Roger Earl Estes	m	L	6	Ernest Estes	Catherine Corey	Bath	Laborer	Bloomfield, Vt.	Bath
Oct 7	David Ellis Johnson, Jr.	m	L	3	David H. Johnson	Ethel Tewksbury	Bath	Farmer	Barre, Vt.	Bath
Dec 8	Willard Augustus Nelson	m	L	2	Harold Roy Nelson	Martha L. Sultaire	Bath	Fireman RR	Bath	Conway, Mass.
17	Marjorie Helen Whitcomb	f	L	5	Leon A. Whitcomb	Carrie Hannett	Bath	Farmer	Bath	Lyndon, Vt.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief, Arthur E. Bailey, Town Clerk.

Marriages Registered in the town of Bath for the Year Ending December 31, 1923

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of marriage.	Age in years	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation	Cond. No.	Name, residence, and official station of person by whom married.
Feb 24	Hanover	Fred L. Brown	Bath	22	Lineman	Strafford Vt	Eugene Brown	Strafford Vt	Farmer	1	F. L. Janeway Chaplain
		Gladys L. Flanders	Newbury Vt	18	At home	Newbury Vt	Annie L. Bernard	W Lebanon	Housewife		
							Melvin P. Flanders	Newbury Vt	Farmer	1	Dartmouth C.
							Sarah S. Doolittle	Strafford Vt	Housewife		
Apr 8	Bath	Michael O'Brien	Landaff	43	Laborer	Ireland	Michael O'Brien	Ireland	Deceased	2	A. I. Davis Clergyman
		Martha Townes	Bath	30	Housework	Walden Vt	Mary Sullivan	Ireland	Deceased		
							William Townes		Deceased	2	Lisbon
30	St Johnsbury V	Arthur H. Greenwood	Bath	22	Farmer	Bath	William Greenwood	Bath	Deceased		
							Mary O. Boisvert	Sherbrook Q	Farmer	1	Ed. Marion Catholic Pr.
		Marie Fournier	St John'y Vt	19	Housework	Passump. Vt	Alphonse Fournier	Canada		1	St Johnsbury
							Sadie Rashe	Passum. Vt			
May 1	Lisbon	Fred J. Gilbert	Lisbon	22	Laborer	Landaff	Archie Gilbert	Canada	Laborer	1	A. I. Davis Clergyman
							Mamie Dustin	Maine	Housewife		
		Mildred Howe	Bath	22	Housework	Lisbon	James Smith	Lyman		2	Lisbon
							Etta Morse	Lisbon	Housewife		
Sep 1	Franconia	Linwood Tewksbury	Bath	24	Farmer	Bath	Harry F. Tewksbury	Bath	Farmer	1	C. E. Gordon Clergyman
							Addie B. Huntoon	Bethlehem	Housewife		
		Lillian H. Young	Franconia	20	Housework	Easton	Frank M. Young	Easton	Laborer	1	Franconia
							Nellie M. Pease		Housewife		
Oct 17	Bath	Harold P. Eastman	Bath	24	Mechanic	Bethlehem	Frank R. Eastman	Landaff	Laborer	1	Guy Roberts Minister
							Gertrude Sawyer	Dover	Shop work		
		Lillian M. Pfitzer	Cincin'ti O	24	Stenographer	Cincin'ti O	William Pfitzer	Cincin'ti O		1	Lisbon
							Amelia Gresker	Cincin'ti O			
Dec 12	Haverhill	Robert S. Dexter	Landaff	20	Farmer	Bath	Hugh A. Dexter	Lisbon	Farmer	1	H A Parkhurst Clergyman
							Anna O. Keefe	Clar'ille P Q	Housewife		
		Lila M. Hardy	Bath	21	Housework	Bath	Harvey A. Hardy	Dorchester	Mill hand	1	Haverhill
							Emma Phillips	Boston Mass	Housewife		

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief. Arthur E. Bailey, Town Clerk.

Deaths Registered in the town of Bath for the Year Ending December 31, 1923

Date of Death 1923	Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age Years	Months	Days	Place of Birth	Sex S., M., W.	Cond. Sex	Occupation	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Jan 2	Benton	Joseph Lavoie	75			Canada	m	w		Canada	Canada	P. Lavoie	Lydia Morey
6	Haverhill	Albert G. Chabot			9		m	s					
10	Concord	Henry E. Emerson	54	11	12	Newbury, Vt.	m	m	Barber	Newbury Vt	W Topsham	Daniel Emerson	Hannah Colliss
19	Bath	Chester Abbott	72	3	6	Bath	m	m		Benton	Benton	Moses Abbott	Lucia Eastman
25	Newbury Vt	Thomas Dalton	68	2	16		m						
30	Bath	Quincy A. Randall	74				m	w	Retired			Joseph Randall	Min. Whitcher
Feb 2	Glencliff	Joseph Leo Blerin	33		5	Nova Scotia	m	s	Mill Operator	Nova Scotia	Nova Scotia	John Blerin	Kate Dugas
21	Haverhill	Rhoda A. Hawkins	91	6	14		f	w					
Mar 6	Haverhill	Jane S. Dearth	87	2	22		f	w					
26	Bath	Florence J. Carr	49	2	7	Lyman	f	m	Housewife	Lyman	Lyman	Frank Williams	
Apr 16	Bath	Albert Henry Clough	71	3	24		m	m	Carpenter	Lyman	Bath	Jerry Clough	Martha Buck
May 11	Littleton	Wilfred C. Paquette	14	10	7	Norton Mills	m	s	Student	Norton M Vt	Canada	Alfred Paquette	Elizabeth Sage
19	Woodsville	George M. Howland	72		8	Landaff	m	m	Carpenter			William Howland	Mary Ball
22	Bath	Annie Jamieson	79			Tuplach Wales	f	m	Retired	Wales	Wales	M. Lloyd	
Jun 12	Bath	Walter Powers	86	10		Bath	m	w	Farmer	Bath	Bath	Martin C. Powers	Mary Weeks
22	Bath	Mary E. Jackman	66	2	27	Bath	f	s	Housekeeper	Landaff	Hanover	Joseph M. Jackman	Eunice T. Miller
Jul 5	Haverhill	Blanche May Emery	45	2	6	Bath	f	m	Housewife	Bath		James W Foster	Mary Weeks
Oct 2	Bath	Eliza A. Minot	80	4	17	Bath	f	s		Bath	Bath	William Minot	Emily Weeks
4	Pembroke	Harry H. Hall	55			Orford	m	w	Farmer	Landaff	Landaff	Dow Hall	Almira Noyes
20	Benton	Thomas Beavlien	64	7	16	Canada	m	m	Farmer	Canada	Canada	Oliver Beavlieu	
Dec 18	Bath	Clinton A. Lang	27		1	Bath	m	s	Farmer	Bath	Bath	Albert J. Lang	Cora S. Buck
18	Beverly Mass	Emma C. Atwood	75	5	4	Bath	f	w		Bath	Bath	Ephriam Clough	Lucinda Ramsdell

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